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## **WANTED - A FEW GOOD HOMES FOR AMERICA'S LIVING LEGENDS**

**(San Antonio, Texas – Feb. 20-21).** Strong – Proud – Symbolic of the American West – 95 wild horses and burros are traveling to San Antonio in search of new homes.

Adopting a wild horse or burro is not for everyone – but if it is for you, it will be an experience you treasure forever. Many past adopters say it is the best thing they have ever done. Attend the next Wild Horse and Burro adoption to meet some of these folks and hear their stories first hand. Then talk with wild horse and burro specialists to find out if you too can take home and care for a living legend.

Hosted by the Bureau of Land Management, this event takes place in San Antonio, Texas at the Rose Palace, Feb. 20 and 21. This two-day event features 30 weanlings (young horses that are about 6 months old), 30 mares, 20 studs and 15 jacks (male burro) available for adoption.

Preview of all animals available for adoption begins Thurs. afternoon from 4 to 6 p.m., then again on Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Sat. from 8 a.m. to noon. A competitive bid will be held on Friday at 10 a.m. Following the initial competitive bid, walk-up adoptions will be held throughout the weekend until noon on Saturday. The minimum adoption fee is \$125, per animal to qualified adopters. Individuals are caretakers for the first 12 months and then, after a positive compliance check, they are eligible to apply for title to the animal.

Admission is free. Spectators and adopters are encouraged to stop by early to learn what it takes to adopt a wild horse or burro. Wild Horse and Burro Specialists and past adopters will be available during this event for questions on the adoption experience.

To qualify, bidders must be at least 18 years of age, with no record of animal abuse. In addition, adopters must have specific facilities and can adopt no more than four animals. All animals **must be picked up on Sat. by noon** in an approved stock trailer. Applications to adopt are accepted on site. For more information call toll free at **1-866-4-Mustangs**, or visit the Bureau of Land Management's web site at [www.wildhorseandburro.gov](http://www.wildhorseandburro.gov).

**Directions:** To reach the San Antonio Rose Palace Arena, take FM 1604 to FM 3351 (Ralph Fair/Boerne Stage Rd.) Travel 3.1 miles west on Boerne Rd from IH-10.

*The Bureau of Land Management is responsible for managing the nation's public lands. With the passage of the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act of 1971, the Bureau gained the responsibility to care for wild horses and burros on these lands in harmony with other natural resources. When an over-population of wild horses and burros exists on these public lands, some animals are removed and offered to the general public for adoption.*